

**BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION OF SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P. AND SPRINT SPECTRUM L. P. D/B/A SPRINT PCS FOR ARBITRATION OF RATES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF INTERCONNECTION WITH BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A AT&T SOUTH CAROLINA D/B/A AT&T SOUTHEAST	Docket No. 2007-215-C
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ORDER GRANTING ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE*

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the “Commission”) on the Motion of J. Jeffrey Pascoe, Esquire, for admission of William R. L. Atkinson to practice before the Commission *pro hac vice*. Mr. Pascoe petitions for Mr. Atkinson to appear before the Commission as counsel for Sprint Nextel Corporation in Docket No. 2007-215-C, regarding the Petition of Sprint Communications Company L.P. and Sprint Spectrum L.P. d/b/a Sprint PCS for Arbitration of Rates, Terms and Conditions of Interconnection with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T South Carolina d/b/a AT&T Southeast.

Mr. Atkinson serves as counsel for Sprint Nextel Corporation in its office located at 233 Peachtree Street, Suite 220, Atlanta, Georgia, and is a member in good standing of the bar of the State of Georgia, according to the certificate attached to the application. Local counsel of record associated with Mr. Atkinson is J. Jeffrey Pascoe of the law firm Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC, 550 South Main Street, Greenville, South Carolina. Additionally, Mr. Atkinson has included an affirmation that he will comply with the applicable statutes, laws and rules of the State of South Carolina; that he is

familiar and will comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct; and that he will submit to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and Commission on Lawyer Conduct.

It appears to this Commission that the proper *pro hac vice* application has been filed with the South Carolina Supreme Court and that the necessary affirmation has been made. The Deputy Clerk for Bar Admissions has certified receipt of the filing and that the filing fee has been paid. We believe that Mr. Atkinson meets the qualifications for admission to practice before the Commission *pro hac vice* in Docket No. 2007-215-C and that he should be so admitted.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. William R. L. Atkinson, Esquire, is a member in good standing of the bar of the State of Georgia and, through motion of local counsel, Mr. Atkinson has moved for his *pro hac vice* admission to practice before the Commission in Docket No. 2007-215-C.

2. Proper application has been filed, the filing fee has been paid, and the necessary affirmation has been made, as required by SCACR 404.

3. Mr. Atkinson has associated South Carolina counsel.

4. The motion for *pro hac vice* admission in this proceeding should be granted.

ORDER

The Motion of J. Jeffrey Pascoe, Esquire, for *pro hac vice* admission of R. L. Atkinson to practice before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina in Docket No. 2007-215-C is GRANTED.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONER:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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